



## **POLICY FLASH 2014-06**

**DATE:** October 31, 2013

**TO:** Procurement Directors



**FROM:** Director,  
Contract and Financial Assistance Policy Division  
Office of Policy  
Office of Acquisition and Project Management

**SUBJECT:** **Affirmative procurement of biobased products under service and construction contracts (FAR clause 52.223-2)**

**SUMMARY:** The Department's Contracting Officers are reminded of the applicability of FAR clause 52.223-2 that requires contractors to submit an annual report of their biobased purchases by October 31 in the System for Award Management (SAM) located at [www.sam.gov](http://www.sam.gov). To increase reporting compliance, please advise your contractors of this requirement. Biobased reporting is an important element in the Administration's Blueprint for the Bioeconomy that helps ensure the Federal government supports markets in rural America where many bioproducts are manufactured.

The only contracts (to include task and delivery orders) currently available for reporting in SAM are those that: include FAR clause 52.223-2; are a service or construction contract as identified by the Product Service Code (PSC); were awarded on or after May 18, 2012; and contain a period of performance date during the current fiscal year, regardless of whether the contract was completed.

For further information concerning sustainable acquisitions, please refer to Acquisition Guide Chapter 23.

This Flash will be available online at the following website:  
<http://energy.gov/management/office-management/operational-management/procurement-and-acquisition/policy-flashes>.

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